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**DEATH.**  
 On the 4th January, 1904, at Pootung, Shanghai, HENRY MARGARET, second daughter of H. M. and ALICE THOMPSON, aged 2 years.

## The Daily Press.

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HONGKONG, 11th JANUARY, 1904

At last we receive apparently authentic information of the nature of the last Russian Note to Japan. As will be seen, the telegram conveying this ought to have reached us in time for our issue of Saturday, but was delayed in Japan by a censorship now evidently exercised over telegrams leaving that country. The fact that the telegram has passed the censor seems a guarantee that the news contained in it is correct. It appears therefore that we may accept it as certain that the Japanese Government, so far from looking on Russia's reply as satisfactory, only sees therein a Russian ruse to delay matters still further. In the *North-China Daily News* of the 5th instant there appeared a telegram from Tokyo, bearing the date of the previous day, which stated that the Paris advices forecasting the unfavourable tenor of the Russian answer had reached Tokyo, where they encouraged the pessimistic views already held; and that it was confirmed that Japan's main contentions referred to Manchuria, while Russia's recent reply proposed the partition of Korea. It was added that Japan wishes to place Korea under her exclusive protection, but objects point-blank to partition. Our Kobe telegram bears out the statement as to the tenor of Russia's reply, and confirms its utter unacceptability to Japan. Still earlier we read in the *Kobe Chronicle*, whose information as to the progress of events recently in Japan has been very correct, that even then (a fortnight ago) it was feared that hope must be abandoned of a pacific

settlement, since the Japanese Government had already come to the conclusion that Russia was not sincerely desirous of a peaceful solution. The *Chronicle* also said that, though diplomatic relations were not broken off, action was to be taken as if the result were beyond question. Hence we see a clear reason for the prohibition issued to the newspapers not to publish details of any strategic movements and for the establishment of a censorship of telegrams. Japan in fact has now taken every step, compatible with the preservation of peace, to show that Russia must act openly and choose whether she means to fight or not. According to a Berlin telegram Japan's preparations are making an impression in St. Petersburg. This telegram (which is dated the 4th instant, and is published in the *Ostasiatische Lloyd*) notes a change of attitude of the whole Russian Press, and quotes the *Novoye Vremya* as condemning the Manchurian entanglement in principle for diverting Russia from her historic tasks in the Orient—presumably in the Near East and in Central Asia. But still we cannot attach so much importance as Berlin does to St. Petersburg or other Russian Press statements. The Press in Russia is more wont than that of any other country to say what the Government wishes it, or at least not to say what the Government does not wish said. A plainly procrastinating tenor in the Russian note to Japan is far more significant; so, too, is the diplomatic illness of Baron Von Rosen, which now seems to be turning that gentleman into a hypochondriac, much to his Government's distress, no doubt. It would be of great interest to know how far the high Russian authorities really think it is safe to go in the game of putting Japan off. It has been suggested that they are only doing so in order to be able to "climb down" less ungracefully. In that case, surely they have gone to a more than dangerous length already?

The article in the London *Times* quoted by REUTER in his despatch of the 8th instant will be read with the utmost attention. It will be noted that the leading English paper is reported as adopting a stronger tone than hitherto, and, while advocating first the negative policy of preventing other Powers from joining Russia against Japan, going on to declare directly that England cannot in any circumstances afford to see the dominion of the Far East pass into the hands of a single unfriendly Power or look on and see Japan obliterated or reduced to second-rate rank. We rejoice to see the opinions which we have consistently expressed thus supported by the weight of authority of the *Times*. The view expressed seems to us so undoubtedly correct and the principle involved so vital to the continuance of any British influence in North-east Asia that we should like to see the whole of the British Press at one in the matter. From recent telegraphic information it seems a fact that all the more responsible London journals are adopting this attitude, while public opinion has given some remarkable proofs of its trend in the last few weeks. It would be impossible to find a parallel in the expression of goodwill, and more than mere goodwill, toward an Asiatic nation that has been shown toward Japan of late. We are almost tempted to think that an inkling of the real meaning of the present crisis has penetrated into the minds of the British public, usually so unresponsive of right ideas regarding the Far East. If this is true, we cannot think of the Government shutting its eyes and letting pass so great an opportunity of repairing the countless errors of policy of the end of last century. This can be done without war, if it is done now; later it would mean war, and indeed it is difficult to see that we can in any case avoid being involved in a war should Japan and Russia be at blows to-morrow. We must, at the risk of being tedious, once again express the opinion that the United States are with ourselves vitally interested in stopping a struggle of Japan, single-handed, against the aggressions of Russia. If there is any meaning in the Chinese-American commercial treaty of last year, the States cannot wait for its interpretation until after a Russian triumph in the North. In his message to Congress on the 7th December President ROOSEVELT spoke of "an indispensable condition for the advance and development of our commerce in Manchuria—China has opened to foreign commerce the cities of Moukden and Antung." "The full measure of development which our commerce may rightfully expect," he continued, "can hardly be looked for until the settlement of the present abnormal state of things in the Empire, but the foundation for such a development has at last been laid." Where will that foundation be when Russia is predominant at Peking and Seoul? Doubtless buried

under a heap of polite assurances pouring from the mouth of Count Cassini. The magnanimity or the terror of Russia must indeed be great if it can induce the two great English-speaking nations to watch her strike the deathblow to all further concern of theirs in North China and Korea.

An Old Allegheny dinner takes place to-night at the Hongkong Hotel at 7.30 p.m.

We have received from the Norddeutscher Lloyd Co.'s local agents a striking date-book wall calendar.

On Saturday morning, Mr. Kemp sat in judgment in the small court at the Magistracy for the last time. He goes from its walls to take up the position of Assistant-Secretary of the Sanitary Board, and his departure is regretted by all with whom he has had dealings.

A Maxim gun competition for members of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps is to take place at Tai Hang on the 23rd inst., for a challenge should present by Major-General Sir William Gascoigne, K.C.M.G. Conditions are published in the Volunteer Orders.

A rabid retriever which was reported as being at large, was caught at Yangtsepo, Shanghai, on the night of the 1st inst. Evidently Hongkong's precautions against Shanghai dogs are not unnecessary.

The Chinese are stayed by the P. & T. *Times* to be blocking the way in all railway enterprises now, including the Anglo-German line, as they allege any foreign railway is likely to cause them trouble just as the Siberian railway has.

The Frankfurt *Zeitung* says it learns from Valdivia that a joint stock company is being organised there with a capital of \$3,000,000 to operate the tin mines of Manchuria. The promoters hope to break the Anglo-American monopoly.

The somewhat musty mortality returns for September last are published in the *Gazette*. 468 deaths were recorded in that month, 21 in the European and foreign community (18 civilians, 2 Army, 1 Navy), and 442 among the Chinese, 32 deaths were due to malaria, and 114 to chest affections. The British and foreign civil death-rate was 21.4 per 1,000 per annum; the Chinese, 17.3; and the whole civil community's, 17.4.

As a result no doubt of the theatre disaster at Chicago, the Kaiser has ordered that the stage-plan of the Royal Opera at Berlin must be altered at once. A number of new exits have to be made and some galleries, going on the outside round the whole building, have to be built. Until these alterations are completed, the Opera remains closed. At the same time plans are being prepared for a new building on another site. The stage of the Royal Comedy Theatre at Berlin is also to be altered.

The following returns of the average amount of bank notes in circulation and of specie in reserve in Hongkong during December, 1903, are certified by the managers of the respective banks:

Banks.	Average Amount.	Specie in Reserve.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, S.	3,391,749	2,000,000
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	13,044,183	7,500,000
National Bank of China, Limited	445,630	150,000
Total	\$16,880,562	9,650,000

Sir Halliday Macartney, British Secretary to the Chinese Legation, took a representative of South Africa last month, with reference to the engagement of Chinese labourers for the South African mines, that "whole thousands of Chinese labourers cannot leave China without the consent of the Chinese Government," and that in any event "the Chinese Government will not negotiate with private companies." When it was put to him that the matter might be represented to the Chinese Government by the Government of the Transvaal, the reply was: "But the Transvaal is only a colony." When it was further suggested that a request so presented might be endorsed by the Imperial Government, Sir Halliday Macartney replied: "That is how the question will have to be negotiated in any case. But representatives of private companies who think they have only to hold up a finger to be able to at once get a great supply of Chinese labourers are reckoning without their host."

In reference to Chang Yen-nan's degradation, the P. & T. *Times* reprints the following telegram which was sent from Tientsin to London, under official auspices, on the 13th February, 1904, and circulated widely in Europe and the United States:—"The Chinese Engineering and Mining Company is being turned into an English Limited Liability Company. It will be known by its old name with the addition of 'Limited.' The capital, English and Continental, is one million sterling. The company acquires the Kaiping coal fields including the valuable mines and plant at Tangshan, the steamer fleet, coal depots and wharves at Tientsin, Tangku, Chinwangtao, Sinko, Shanghai, Hankow, Hongkong, Canton, &c., interest in railways, also Chang-yi's property in Tientsin. The company is to be governed by two Boards, Foreign and Chinese. The capital is fully subscribed. The transfer occurs on 23rd February. This is the most gigantic and important transfer of property that ever took place in China."

We are unavoidably obliged to hold over "Hongkong Jottings" to-day.

Frederick Pabst, the famous brewer, died on the 4th inst. leaving an estate valued at \$15,000,000 gold.

The Telephone Company of Manila has been warned that it must provide a better service or lose its franchise.

Antonio Navarro, a Filipino who slew his rival in a so-called duel, has been sentenced to death in Manila.

The Philippines Government is about to issue bonds for \$7,237,000, for payment of the Friar lands.

The Manila *Cablenews* publishes a telegram "By the Far Eastern Press Association," dated Seoul, Korea, 5th January, stating that the Empress Dowager of China is dead. Strange!—but true?

Mr. Edward D. Andrews, late an officer in the 7th U.S. Cavalry was married on the 3rd inst. to a daughter of Don Felipe Bencomino, a leading light, and ex-servant of the Philippines. Mr. Andrews resigned his commission on the U.S. Army just before the wedding. A sister of the bride some time ago married a U.S. contract surgeon, who also resigned just before the wedding.

Private Bailey, of the U.S. Marine Corps, stationed at Cavite, P.I., was placed under arrest for being drunk and insubordinate and using abusive language to Sergeant Brosius of the same corps, on the 1st inst. in the canton. Being sent to his quarters under arrest he returned in a few minutes and stealing up behind the sergeant, buried a knife in his heart from the back, killing him instantly. He is now awaiting his trial for murder in Manila.

The Bangkok *Times* of the 23rd ult. writes:—"The heaviest storm known for years has raged in the Gulf of Siam during the past fortnight. The Dutch steamer *Choe Phya* went aground at the bar of the Kolatan river, and remained there four days before she could be got off. The lighter which has been ashore at Kelantan was floated a week ago, and was found not to have sustained any damage. The *Languee* cannot be dug out until the next S.W. monsoon."

Forsome years past there has been a proposal to link the island of Ceylon to the mainland of India by a railway carried across the coral reef of Adam's Bridge and the island of Rameswaram; and the project has now been brought within view of completion by the report of a Railway Commission, which has just been issued in India, recommending the construction of a broad-gauge line. Geological evidence shows that Ceylon was originally joined to India by a continuous isthmus, which, according to the temple records of Rameswaram, was breached by a great storm in 1480.

"Cornering" was an old device in the East before the West was civilized. It still continues in its old home, though western enterprise is on a larger scale. A despatch last month from Afghanistan said:—"There is said to be a scarcity of food-grains in Kabul, due to a ring among the corn-merchants, who have forced up the prices to a high level. The Amir recently ordered that Government grain, due on account of land revenue but still in the zamindars' hands, should be sent in from the districts and offered at reasonable prices in the bazaar for local consumption only, traders being prohibited from dealing in it for export purposes."

The German paper *Ueberricht* states that, apart from the 13 foreign princes who hold rank *a la suite* in the German Navy, there are, according to the recently-issued official list, three admirals, including Prince Henry (this number has since been increased to five by the creation of three new admirals and the resignation of one), eight vice-admirals (since reduced to five by the promotion of three), 16 rear-admirals, 58 ship captains, 24 captains of frigates, 101 captains of corvettes, 245 lieutenant-captains, 337 senior lieutenants, and 332 lieutenantants. Among these last is Prince Adalbert, now on this station, who is a lieutenant of long standing, and Duke Paul Frederick of Mecklenburg, whose lieutenant's commission dates from January 27th, 1900. The number of officers on the retired list who fill official positions has increased to 36.

Professor Vambéry contributes to *Die Zeit.* of Vienna, an interesting article on the Tibet question, which he considers may easily lead to international complications next spring. With regard to Russia's aims he remarks that her greed for territory has no bounds, while she now sees a farther opportunity of striking a blow at her British rival. Professor Vambéry thinks that Russia's open intervention on behalf of the Dahi Lama is out of the question, but he insists that Great Britain cannot permit any moral intervention on her part, firstly because Russian policy seeks to find in Tibet a point of attack on China, and secondly, because Britain must not forget that Eastern Turkestan will sooner or later become the prey of Russia. In conclusion, the writer says, that under no circumstances can Great Britain allow Russia to strengthen the positions which the latter now occupies in Persia, in Afghanistan, and in the Pamirs, which are so dangerous to British interests. Little Tibet has been in British possession for fifty years, and Great Tibet may also become so if Great Britain only will—and Great Britain must so will unless she wishes to lose India.

## TELEGRAMS.

### "DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

### THE NORTHERN CRISIS.

\*Kobe, 8th January, 10 p.m.

### RUSSIAN TRICKERY DOES NOT DECEIVE JAPAN.

The Russian reply to Japan is now partly known. It is silent with regard to Manchuria, but offers concessions to Japan in Korea. The reply is regarded by the Japanese Government as merely a ruse to gain time, the offer of concessions being intended to protract negotiations.

\*Delayed by censor in Japan.

### REUTER'S SERVICE.

### JAPAN AND RUSSIA.

LONDON, 7th January.

It is officially reported from St. Petersburg that Baron Rosen, the Russian Ambassador at Tokyo, yesterday presented to the Japanese Cabinet through Baron Komura, the Japanese Minister for Foreign Affairs, the Russian reply.

[As received the message is not clear, but the above is probably the correct reading.—En. D.P.]

The United States are telegraphing instructions to Admiral Evans for his guidance in the event of hostilities. The policy is to observe the strictest neutrality unless American treaty rights are infringed.

LONDON, 8th January.

Stocks recovered somewhat on Wednesday, but were again down yesterday. Public feeling is uneasy.

A Russian Legation guard has reached Seoul, having marched overland.

Russia's reply to Japan is kept secret.

LATER.

The price of corn has risen one shilling per quarter in consequence of the Far Eastern situation.

The United States Cabinet has instructed Admiral Evans not to proceed to Japanese or Russian waters at present.

### THE "WALLAROO" EXPLOSION.

LONDON, 8th January.

Later advices state that only four men were killed and three injured by the boiler explosion on H.M.S. *Wallaroo*. The mistake occurred through the misreading of signals.

### THE "TIMES" ON THE SITUATION.

LONDON, 8th January.

The *Times* adopts a stronger tone than hitherto in regard to the Far Eastern crisis, and declares that our first duty in the event of war between Russia and Japan is to prevent others from joining in against Japan; that England cannot under any circumstances afford to see the dominion of the Far East pass into the hands of a single unfriendly Power, or look on and see Japan obliterated or reduced to the rank of a second-rate Power. If war comes, we must watch vigilantly and be prepared to protect our interests.

### THE MINISTERING CHILDREN'S LEAGUE.

The children of the Kowloon School gave two very pretty performances of the comic cantata *Old King Cole*, on Friday and Saturday last. These performances were given in aid of the Ministering Children's League, and were a pronounced success both from an artistic and financial point of view. All the children taking part were letter-perfect, and much credit is due to Mrs. Donaldson for the result of her coaching in the dances, and to Mr. W. Stewart for his efficient stage-managing. The play was written by Messrs. W. Young and F. Pascal, and the children taking part were Misses Mary Stewart, B. Kennett, D. Lamont, M. Lamont, J. Craig, A. Logan, M. Wilson, L. McNeil, G. Ferguson, McNeil, L. Neare, Lizzie Vanstone, L. Logan, B. Macke, A. Macdonald, S. Lowe, E. Packham, and Irene Newton; Masters A. Stewart, Harold Perkins, L. Focken, T. Macdonald, A. Martin, J. Jack, A. Christenson, W. Robertson, C. Hoskins, H. Stewart, J. Ruerg, W. McNeil, J. McGlashan, E. Packham, L. Macdonald, T. Martin, and G. Focken.

### FOOTBALL.

H.K.F.C. v. H.M.S. "ALBION."

A friendly game played on the Club ground immediately on the termination of the Shield match. At half-time the score was: *Albion* 1-0, and at the finish *Albion* 2-0.

The teams were:—

H.K.F.C.:—Kow, goal; Austen and Ansett, backs; Danby, Bonnar and Gray, halves; Williams, Brent, Hancock, Cooper, and Richardson, for wards.

*Albion*:—Barr, goal; Kerr and Oliver, backs; Holmes, Hargreaves and Spencer, halves; Forman, Ball, Williams, Wallace, and McGinnis, forwards.

Referee, Mr. F. Brown.

H.K.F.C. v. ROVERS F.C.

The newly formed Rovers F.C. on Saturday met the Royal Engineers and won from them a creditable, if lucky, victory. The R.E. turned up several short and had to enlist some players on the ground to complete their team. Even then they had a fair share of the game, but the Rovers, scoring 2 goals to 1, secured the verdict.

## CRICKET.

A.O.C. v. CIVIL SERVICE C.C.

This League match was played on the Cricket Ground, as its unusual interest and importance in the decision of League honours this year entitled it to a prominent place in the season's fixtures. The A.O.C. entered the field with 8 wins and one loss to their credit, the Civil Service with 5 wins and a draw. Though the A.O.C. had lost the previous match with the Civil Service, they were looked on as probable winners, and not once did they give their supporters any anxiety. Winning the toss, Capt. Davies sent in Sergeant-Major Webb and Corporal Lillywhite, the latter a descendant or connection of the celebrated Sussex cricketer, Lillywhite left when he had made 19, but Webb continued to bat excellently and received most vigorous support from Capt. Davies, who hit up 63 in short time. The innings was declared closed with the total at 189 for 4 wickets, Webb being not out 82. The Civil Service fielding was not good. When the Civil Service went in it was seen at once that there was only one team in the game. 3 wickets fell for one run and, though Wiltchell got into double figures, his 11 including one hit out of the ground, 7 were down for 17. Then Woodcock joined Lambie, and a plucky stand was made, both men showing a resistance to the bowlers which had not been seen yet. The effort was too late, however, and the innings only amounted to 49 when the last wicket fell, Wiltchell, Lambie, and Woodcock between them scored 40; the other eight men put together 3 runs. Bradford's straight bowling was too much for them. This win gives the A.O.C. a tremendous lead in the League table. Scores:—

Sergeant-Major T. Webb, not out	82
Corpl. Lillywhite, c. Doveney, b. Lander	19
Capt. Davies, lb. w. b. Lambie	63
Sergt. Smauer, c. and b. Lambie	6
J. Robinson, c. Jackson, b. Lambie	6
Extras	10
Total (4 wickets)	189

Runners declared, a. Turner, A. E. Hatwell, U. Butler, E. Bradford, T. S. Bromley, and W. T. Burgess did not bat.

### CIVIL SERVICE C.C.

A. G. M. Fletcher, b. Bradford	1
H. E. Jackson, c. Rutter, b. Davies	1
J. Doveney, b. Bradford	1
P. J. M. Atkinson, c. Robinson, b. Bradford	0
R. Wiltchell, c. Webb, b. Davies	11
P. T. Lambie, b. Bradford	18
R. Ponsonby, b. Bradford	0
P. E. R. b. b. b. Bradford	0
G. A. Woodcock, b. Turner	11
J. T. Robinson, c. Robinson, b. Turner	0
J. Lander, not out	1
Extras	6
Total	49

### H.K.C.C. RESERVES v. R.E.

The H.K.C.C. Reserves lost yet another match in the League competition on Saturday, while the Royal Engineers by their victory went up to third place in the table. The weakness of the Club's batting was marked, though they almost managed to play out time and avert a loss. Lt. Chesney proved himself the most useful man in the R.E. team. Scores:—

Whiles, b. Rutherford	4
Tilman, c. Lamont, b. Gray	14
Bowyer, c. and b. Rutherford	17
Millman, b. Rutherford	11
Glewbrook, b. Rutherford	0
Tomney, c. both, b. Golding	7
Cesar, c. Piper, b. Golding	1
Jewsbury, c. Grimble, b. Golding	0
Taylor, b. Golding	9
Lt. Chesney, not out	39
Widdows, b. Gray	9
Extras	6
Total	112

Rev. H. R. Wells, c. Bowyer, b. Chesney	16
H. A. Lamont, c. Jewsbury, b. Bowyer	23
P. W. Colquhoun, b. Chesney	0
T. C. Gray, c. Whiles, b. Chesney	0
J. Hooper, b. Chesney	0
D. Piper, c. Bowyer, b. Chesney	0
G. Grimble, b. Chesney	0
N. H. Rutherford, c. Bowyer, b. Glewbrook	0
C. P. Chater, b. Bowyer	0
E. D. C. Wolf, c. Bowyer, b. Glewbrook	2
S. A. Roth, not out	8
Extras	6
Total	25

### RECLAMATION AT CANTON.

Messrs. Butterfield & Swire's reclamation works at Pakhinkok, Canton, are proceeding apace. A slice is being taken off the water-front at the book-reach, Homan side, on this side of Canton, just at the site of the recent fire. When the work is completed the firm will have a fine set of godowns, and a wharf there. The dredger *Canton River* arrived to Canton on the 6th inst. to take part in the work of deepening the locality of the new wharf. A powerful dredger was found necessary on account of the constant silting up of sand from neighbouring banks, as soon as the locality was deepened. Work at blasting rock and pumping sand has been going on for some time, but without getting the required depth of 17 ft. 6 in. While talking about Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, we note that Mr. W. Ramsay, Hongkong superintendent engineer, has returned from leave, and taken over his duties. Mr. Allison acted in his stead while he was away.

### "GUNNERS BEYOND PRICE."

"Worth their weight in diamonds to the country" is the appraisal which Lord Charles Beresford has put upon Petty Officer Carter, of the *Juniper*, and Petty Officer Trimmer, of the *Majestic*, who have proved themselves the best shots with the guns of the Channel Fleet. It is difficult to estimate the exact value of a man's weight in diamonds, says the *Daily Mail*, but an expert says that the remuneration of the Navy marksman is more probably based on the value of his weight in copper. The chief petty officer in the Navy receives 2s. 2d. per day, and after three years' service 2s. 2d. per day, which may be supplemented by perhaps 6d. a day, from good conduct badges. To this must be added occasional prize money. But a well-known naval officer summed up the average remuneration of the chief petty officer as 3s. 3d. and his food. Navy reformers are urging that a special rating, shall be introduced by which good marksmen will be in a class by themselves, with superior position and superior pay.







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THE WEST POINT BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED. Hongkong, 11th January, 1904. [191]

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on WEDNESDAY, the 27th JANUARY, 1904, at 11.30 o'clock A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 16th JANUARY, to WEDNESDAY, the 27th JANUARY (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd. General Agents for THE WEST POINT BUILDING CO., LTD. Hongkong, 9th January, 1904. [192]

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By Order of the Board of Directors, A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary. Hongkong, 9th January, 1904. [193]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 18th day of JANUARY, 1904, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of Crown Land South of Bowen Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years. [194]

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## NOTICE.

A N OLD ALLEYMAN DINNER will be held TO-NIGHT (MONDAY), the JANUARY 11th, at 7.30 p.m., at the HONG KONG HOTEL. The undersigned will receive names of any Old Alleyman who have not yet been communicated with.

H. ARTHUR, Care of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Hongkong, 9th January, 1904. [187]

## NOTICE.

THE date of Closing of Entries for the FORTHCOMING RACES has been POSTPONED from the 9th JANUARY to SATURDAY, 16th. By Order, T. F. HOUGH, Clerk of the Course. Hongkong, 28th December, 1903. [3580]

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A GOOD SPANIEL or RETRIEVER. Apply to—HENRY HUMPHREYS, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central. Hongkong, 8th January, 1904. [171]

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FOR Weekday Afternoons, ENGLISH, SPEAKING FEMALE to take charge of a Little German Boy. Apply—P. O. B. No. 58, Care of Daily Press Office. Hongkong, 8th January, 1904. [173]

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SALESMAN for Canton by German Import Firm. Apply by letter to—BOX 630, Care of Daily Press Office. Hongkong, 5th January, 1904. [126]

## SITUATION WANTED.

EXPERIENCED LADY STENOGRAPHER desires position in Hongkong. Apply by letter to—L. V., Care of Japan Mail, Yokohama. Hongkong, 8th January, 1904. [172]

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A GENTLEMAN can have BOARD and RESIDENCE with a Private Family in Kowloon. Good Locality. Apply to—BOX 620, Care of Daily Press Office. Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. [109]

## GOVERNMENT BILLS.

TENDERS for SPECIE, BRITISH and MEXICAN DOLLARS, current in this Colony, in Exchange for Sterling Bills drawn at 10 days' sight on the London Commission of His Majesty's Treasury, London, will be received by the Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Department, until 11 A.M., on the 12th January, 1904.

The Tenders to state the total amount (in Pounds Sterling) and the amount for which each Bill should be drawn, but no Bills will be issued for less than £100.

The Tenders to be in Duplicate, and in Sealed Covers, addressed to the CHIEF PAYMASTER, Army Pay Department, and endorsed "TENDERS FOR GOVERNMENT BILLS". The right to accept or reject any or all of the Tenders is reserved.

Copies of Forms of Tender can be had on application. GEO. H. FERRIER, Colonel, H.M. Treasury Chest Officer, His Majesty's Treasury Office, Fletcher Street. Hongkong, 7th January, 1904. [177]

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LAU KUE TONG, Manager. Hongkong, 8th January, 1904. [175]

## NOTICE OF FIRM

THE PARTNERSHIP hitherto existing between myself and Mr. JOHN HASTINGS having been dissolved by effluxion of time, my business will in future be carried on under the Firm name of DEACON, LOOKER and DEACON.

VICTOR H. DEACON, 10, Queen's Road, Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. [117]

## ENTERTAINMENT

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A CONCERT followed by a laughable farce "TICKLISH TIMES" will be given at the THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, on SATURDAY, JANUARY 16th, 1904, commencing at 9 P.M.

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Under the patronage of H.E. Mr. MAY, C.M.G., H.E. Major-General V. HATTON, C.B., and Rear-Admiral ROBINSON. Hongkong, 8th January, 1904. [143]

## MUSIC.

RAPID Tuition given on the BANJO, VIOLIN, &c. Terms moderate. L. A. DE GRACA, 38, Peel Street, or Care of Daily Press Office. Hongkong, 11th January, 1904. [183]

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MRS. DONALDSON (Daughter of Professor F. F. WALLACE, of Rossmount Dancing Academy, Glasgow) has pleasure in advertising a SECOND BEGINNERS' CLASS to open in the CITY HALL shortly. Practice twice weekly... Fee \$10 a month. Address—51, WONG-NEL-CHONG ROAD. Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. [103]

NOTICE TO KOWLOON RESIDENTS. EXTRA COPIES of Daily Press are on sale daily at Mr. H. RUTON'S KOWLOON STORE, No. 38, Elgin Road. Price 15 cents per copy each. Hongkong, 22nd December, 1903. [3518]

IMPERIAL KWANGTUNG LOAN OF 1895. WHEREAS THE BONDS issued for the IMPERIAL KWANGTUNG LOAN of 1895 provide that "Liabilities contracted under the terms of this Loan are payable to bearer. Should this Bond be destroyed by fire or flood, the holder shall report the destruction of the Bond to the office of the Commissioner of Customs and obtain and deposit the guarantee of a substantial firm and shall make advertisement in the newspapers." If after the due date for payment, the Bond of this number shall not have been presented for payment, the said firm and the original holder may claim payment of the principal and interest accruing under this Bond. If at any subsequent date this Bond be presented for payment, the original guaranteeing firm shall be required to pay the full amount due. In default the firm shall be fined double that amount. The proceeds of such fines shall be paid over to the Shan Hsu Chu for public purposes. And the Board also provides that on the due date for the payment of each instalment of principal and interest the Bond must be presented at the Customs Office for examination and payment. The Commissioner of Customs shall on each occasion out and retain one of the eleven coupons annexed. When after six years the full amount of principal and interest shall have been paid off the whole Bond shall be cancelled.

AND WHEREAS the final instalment for repayment of the loan was issued by the Kwangtung Government on Kwang Hai 26th year 12th moon 10th day (29th January, 1901), and became at once available for repayment of the Bond with the last coupon attached.

AND WHEREAS there are at date still outstanding and unpaid one bond with eleven coupons attached, one bond with ten coupons attached, three bonds with five coupons attached, forty-eight bonds with two coupons attached, and nineteen detached coupons, or a total of 151 coupons, all of which have been reported as lost (or stolen).

AND WHEREAS there are still outstanding and unpaid one hundred and one other coupons regarding which no report has been received.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that any of the outstanding coupons under the Imperial Kwangtung Loan of 1895 which shall not be presented to the Office of Customs at Canton for verification and payment on or before Kwang Hai 30th year 6th moon 29th day (the tenth day of August, 1904), will be forfeited and will not be further recognised, and FURTHER that any application for repayment of Bonds or coupons reported to have been lost or stolen shall be accompanied by a guarantee in a form approved by the Commissioner of Customs. Notice of the application shall be advertised at the applicant's expense for three months in such way and at such intervals as may seem advisable to the Commissioner of Customs, and if no objection is made before the expiration of the three months, the amount claimed may then be paid. This Notification is issued on behalf of the Kwangtung Provincial Authorities without personal responsibility to the undersigned.

R. DE LUCA, Acting Commissioner of Customs. Custom House, Canton, 6th January, 1904. [178]

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## PUBLIC COMPANIES

## CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE COMPANY, LTD.

THE SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the Company, 14, Des Voeux Road, on SATURDAY, the 16th JANUARY, 1904, at 11 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1903, declaring a dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 13th JANUARY, 1904, to SATURDAY, the 16th JANUARY, 1904, both days inclusive. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 5th January, 1904. [130]

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on WEDNESDAY, the 20th JANUARY, 1904, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 15th JANUARY, to WEDNESDAY, the 20th JANUARY (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited. General Agents for the KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED. Hongkong, 5th January, 1904. [145]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED, will be held at the BANK PREMISES, Queen's Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 30th JANUARY, 1904, at Noon, for the purposes following, namely—

To receive and consider the Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet for 31st December, 1903, the reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon, to elect Directors and Auditors to determine whether the place of Mr. WILLIAM WOTTON who retires under Article 135 shall be filled up, whether the London Committee shall be reduced to two instead of three under Article 137, and to transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

The TRANSFER BOOKS and Register of Members of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th to the 30th day of JANUARY, 1904, both days inclusive.

By Order, GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR, Chief Manager. Hongkong, 8th January, 1904. [188]

HUMPHREYS' ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED. NON-RESIDENT SHAREHOLDERS desirous of applying for Shares of the new issue are hereby notified that the time within which applications can be made has been extended for such shareholders living in the Far East to the 31st instant, and for such shareholders living elsewhere, to the 31st of March.

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JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Hongkong, 8th January, 1904. [149]

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THE AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY. DR. M. H. CHAUN, 27, DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL HONGKONG, From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A. Hongkong, 10th March, 1903. [2490]

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## NORTH-WEST YUNNAN.

A report by Acting-Consul Litton on a jour-  
ney undertaken by him in North-West Yunnan  
during the winter of 1902-1903 is published as  
a Parliamentary paper [China No. 3, Cd. 1836].  
As the result of his investigations, Mr. Litton  
makes the following remarks and suggestions:—

"1. It must be remembered that Yunnan is  
out of the great current of China trade.  
Whether the year is going to be a good or a  
bad one depends wholly on the local opium and  
rice-harvest, which in their turn depend on the  
weather. If this is favourable, we may be sure  
that there will be money to be spent in the  
ensuing autumn and winter trading season.

"2. The part of Yunnan which may be  
conveniently served by our Burma route is, on  
the whole, considerably more populous than the  
part of Yunnan served by the Red River route.  
Now that Tongyueh is an 'open port,' under  
Sir Robert Hart's supervision, there is every  
reason to hope for a great expansion of trade.

"3. The most urgent need of Tongyueh trade  
is an export product to give in return for Indian  
yarn and cotton goods. This is especially  
necessary just now, as the balance of trade is  
heavily against Tongyueh; merchants whose  
capital is silver have to liquidate their debts in  
appropriated rupees.

"4. The importance of Yunnan as a possible  
field of supply for ponies and mules should not  
be lost sight of.

"5. Every effort should be made to establish a  
cotton cloth weaving industry in the Teng-  
yueh or Yangchow valleys, and so to undo a  
part of the injury which Burma trade has  
suffered from the long delay in opening  
Tongyueh.

"6. I am inclined to think a European firm  
might establish itself with advantage at Teng-  
yueh. The trade would not bear a large and  
expensive European staff; what is wanted is  
rather someone of energy and tact who would be  
content to rough it in the hope of opening new  
lines of trade, especially of export trade, which  
the Chinese, when left to themselves, are  
exceedingly slow to attempt. I strongly recom-  
mend the employment of Indian, preferably  
Mahomedan, travelling agents in the interior.

"7. Hsichuan is a centre of the greatest  
importance to Burma trade, and I would  
suggest the establishment of a foreign agency  
there, under the direction of Chinese, but to  
be visited from time to time by a European  
merchant.

"8. The Tali third-moon fair is worth  
attending, as something might there be learned  
of prospects of trade.

"9. Among the articles of import which I  
noted down in the course of my journey as likely  
to have an extended market in West Yunnan  
are blankets, cheap clocks and watches, mirrors,  
enamelled ironware, cheap ribbons and laces for  
trimmings, pocket knives, padlocks, umbrellas,  
leather belts, the stouter cottons, such as  
American drills, cotton prints of a gaudy  
pattern, Turkey reds, cigarettes, jade, coral,  
and amber.

"Among possible exports from Yunnan, ponies  
and mules, musk, hemp, straw braid, rhubarb,  
drugs consumed by Chinese, wool and furs from  
Lichiang, bristles, silk from South-West  
Szechuen, would seem to deserve attention. It  
must be remembered that up-country Chinese  
traders are fond of false-packing and other  
franks, and by no means comprehend the neces-  
sity of goods being up to sample.

"10. I should be very sorry to offer any advice  
about mines in the part of Yunnan which my  
report deals with. Salt and copper are the  
mineral products of which I saw most, but they  
are both in the hands of official monopolists.  
Until better informed, I venture to doubt whether  
there are any mines in this part of Yunnan  
which would pay for the cost of transporting  
foreign machinery and paying for foreign  
engineers. When the upper waters of the  
Irrawadi have been brought under control by  
Burma, it might be well to prospect there for  
nephrite (jade), which will always command a  
great market in China."

## A TALE OF MASAMPO.

The Paris edition of the *New York Herald*  
on the 6th ult. published a letter from its  
correspondent at Port Arthur, dated November  
14, giving the alleged particulars of the Japa-  
nese expedition to Masampo early in October last.  
This authority recalls the fact that some weeks  
ago the Japanese squadron caused quite a  
sensation by sailing into the bay of Masampo  
and apparently preparing to take possession of  
it. The original plan, as explained by the  
*Herald's* correspondent, was that the Japanese  
fleet, escorting a number of transport ships,  
should make a sudden descent on Masampo.  
Everything was to be carried out exactly as if  
the intention had been to seize that or some  
other Korean port. Care was taken to let a  
slight inkling of the affair escape, so that the  
Russian authorities should feel convinced that  
their enemies were in earnest. The correspon-  
dent says that the plan was very nearly being  
successful, as, if the Russian vice-admiral at  
Port Arthur had received his orders six hours  
earlier, he would have sunk the Japanese trans-  
ports without hesitation. These transports  
appear to have had but a handful of men on board.  
Whatever the intention of the Japanese may  
have been, the construction put upon it by the  
*Herald's* informant, which is possibly that of  
the Russian authorities at Port Arthur, is that the  
Japanese idea was to prove that their squadron  
had been wantonly attacked by Russia while  
engaged in mere naval manoeuvres consisting of  
a trial transport of men to Korea. They would  
have been able to prove that there was only a  
small number of men on the sunken transports,  
and that consequently Russia was in the wrong  
and was the real aggressor. The Japanese fleet  
could have worsted that of Russia and could

have attacked Port Arthur. It is not without  
interest to note that the correspondent and, pre-  
sumably, his Russian informants, attribute the  
conception of a serious defect in the defences of Port  
Arthur. He says that during the Russian  
naval manoeuvres a section of the squadron  
which represented the invaders succeeded in  
landing a large body of troops a little north of  
Talienwan owing to an unaccountable break  
in the land defences. Six regiments penetrated  
into the fortress and captured it. The news of  
the defect in the fortifications is supposed to  
have reached the Japanese Government by  
telegram from Chefoo. As the defect in the  
defences of Port Arthur could not be made  
good for weeks, the Japanese, it is said, were  
lent on taking advantage of the opportunity.

"In petty strategy," says the representative  
of the *Herald* at Port Arthur, "the Japanese  
are infinitely ahead of the Russians. I do not  
know how the two nations stand with regard to  
the higher strategy of war. Seeing that its  
scheme had failed, the Japanese Government  
listened courteously to a hint dropped casually  
by the Russian Minister in Tokyo with regard  
to the presence of its squadron at Masampo and  
the anxiety caused thereby in Russia.

Some time after the Japanese mentioned in  
their turn the violent tone of the *Navy Krai*,  
supposed to represent Admiral Alexieff. . . .  
The result was that the articles in the *Navy  
Krai* became suddenly peaceful. . . . I am  
sorry to state that Russia's object is merely  
to gain time. She has no more intention  
of allowing Monken or any other  
town in Manchuria to be opened, or of  
evacuating Manchuria than she ever had. So  
far as I can gather from my conversation with  
Russians, and from the tone of the Russian  
Press, her position is this. She is ready to  
bestow an unobtrusive benediction on Japan's  
efforts to civilise Formosa. She is even  
prepared to go so far as to approve, within  
certain limits and under certain guarantees and  
conditions, of Japanese emigration to Korea.  
But when asked to open up Manchuria, or even  
to give Japan a free hand in Korea, she answers  
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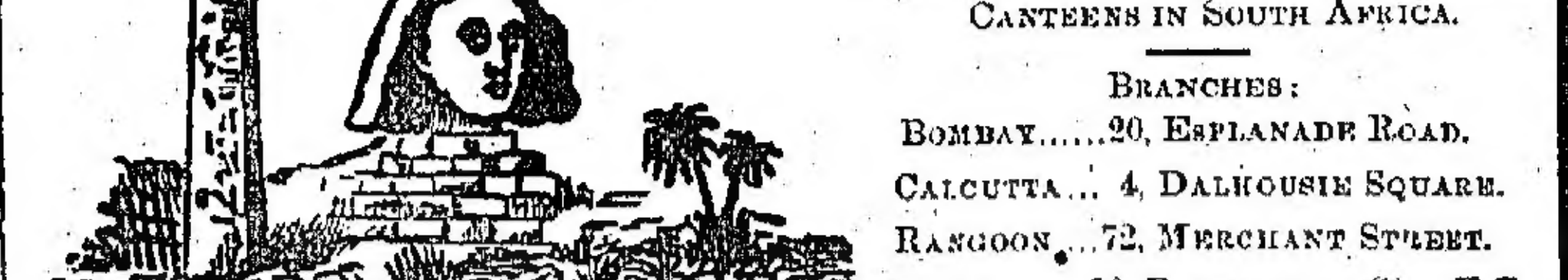
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THE Company's Steamship

"MARIA VALERIE."  
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby  
informed that their Goods are being landed at  
their risk, into the Godowns of the Hongkong  
and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited,  
whence delivery may be obtained.  
Optional Cargo will be discharged here unless  
notice to the contrary be given immediately.  
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be  
sent in to the Office of the undersigned before  
Noon, on the 13th of January, or they will  
not be recognised.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any  
Goods remaining in the Godowns after the  
13th of January will be subject to rent.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
**SANDER, WIELER & CO.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 7th January, 1904.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.  
FROM NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.  
THE Steamship

"ARARA."  
Captain J. M. Williamson, having arrived from  
the above port, Consignees of Cargo are hereby  
notified that their Goods are being landed at  
their risk into the Godown of the Wanchai  
Storing Company at Wanchai, where they are  
being stored at Consignees' risk and expense.  
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining  
undelivered after the 13th inst. will be subject  
to rent.  
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are  
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be  
examined on a date to be hereafter appointed.  
Consignees of cargo will please note that  
before delivery can be obtained they must sign  
the General Average Bond which is lying at  
the Office of the undersigned.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
**SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,**  
General Agents,  
American Asiatic S. S. Co.  
Hongkong, 5th January, 1904.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND  
SINGAPORE.  
THE H.A.L. Steamship

"ALEXIA."  
Captain Schönfeld, having arrived from the  
above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby  
requested to send in their Bills of Lading for  
counter-signature by the Undersigned and to  
take immediate delivery of their Goods from  
alongside the latter steamer.  
Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless  
notice to the contrary be given before Noon,  
To-day, the 11th inst. for discharge will be  
landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong  
and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company,  
Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and  
expense.  
No claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining  
undelivered after the 11th inst. will be subject  
to rent.  
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are  
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be  
examined on the 11th inst. at 3 P.M.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
**HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,**  
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Hongkong, 4th January, 1904.

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HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.  
THE Steamship

"SACHSEN."  
OF THE NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,  
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby  
informed that their Goods, with the exception  
of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being  
landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns  
of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and  
Godown Company Limited, Kowloon, whence  
delivery may be obtained.  
Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless  
notice to the contrary be given before 11 A.M.,  
To-day, 8th inst.  
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining  
undelivered after the 15th January, will be  
subject to rent.  
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are  
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be  
examined on Friday, the 15th January, at  
9.30 A.M.  
All Claims for damage must be sent in before  
the 20th January, or they will not be recognised.  
No Fire Insurance will be effected.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the  
undersigned.  
**NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,  
MELCHERS & CO.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 8th January, 1904.

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CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"NESTOR."  
are hereby notified that the Cargo is being  
discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the  
Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon  
Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., where in both  
cases it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo  
will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown  
on and after the 4th instant.  
Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice  
has been given prior to steamer's arrival.  
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to  
be left in the Godowns, where they will be  
examined at 11 A.M., on the 11th inst.  
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods  
remaining undelivered after the 11th inst. will  
be subject to rent.  
All Claims against the Steamer must be  
presented to the undersigned on or before the  
18th inst., or they will not be recognised.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 4th January, 1904.

## NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.  
FROM BOMBAY AND SINGAPORE.  
THE Steamship

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having arrived from the above ports, Consignees  
of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their  
Goods are being landed at their risk into the  
Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon  
Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery  
may be obtained. Perishable Goods to be  
taken delivery of immediately.  
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Godowns, and a certificate obtained from the  
Godown Company, within seven days after the  
steamer's arrival here, after which no claims will  
be recognised.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any  
Goods remaining in the Godowns after the  
13th instant, will be subject to rent.  
**CAELOWITZ & CO.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 6th January, 1904.

BOSTON TOWNSHIP COMPANY.  
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"STEAMSHIP" "LYRA."  
FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKO-  
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in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature  
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